

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Periodic Reporting
(Proposal Two)

Docket No. RM2020-7

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 3

(Issued April 28, 2020)

To further assist the Commission in its evaluation of the Postal Service's proposed changes to analytical principles relating to periodic reports,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. The responses should be provided as soon as possible, but no later than May 5, 2020.

1. In the preface to Library Reference USPS-RM2020-7-1, the Postal Service states that in calculating the updated city carrier unit flats delivery costs it updates "the [Flats Sequencing System (FSS)] delivery cost model, entitled FSSDeliveryModel19.xlsx," previously filed as Library Reference USPS-FY19-19 in Docket No. ACR2019.² The Postal Service provides the updated FSS delivery cost model, entitled "FSSDeliveryModel19.New v2.xlsx," as part of Library Reference USPS-RM2020-7-1.³

¹ Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Two), April 7, 2020 (Petition). See also Professor Michael D. Bradley, A Methodology for Updating the City Carrier Regular Delivery Variabilities*, April 7, 2020 (Bradley Report).

² See Library Reference USPS-RM2020-7-1, updated on April 14, 2020, PDF file "Prop.2.Carrier.Update.Fldr.1.Preface.Rev.4.14.20.pdf," at 2-3 (Preface). See also Docket No. ACR2019, Library Reference USPS-FY19-19, December 27, 2019, folder "USPS-FY19-19," subfolder "Delivery Model Files," Excel file "FSSDeliveryModel19.xlsx" (FSS Delivery Cost Model).

³ Preface at 3. See Library Reference USPS-RM2020-7-1, updated on April 14, 2020, folder "Prop.2.Carrier.Update.Rev.4.14.Fld.1.Files," subfolder "Calculating Updated Unit Flats Costs," Excel file "FSSDeliveryModel19.New v2.xlsx" (Updated FSS Delivery Cost Model).

- a. Please identify the library references in the FY 2019 Annual Compliance Report (ACR) that rely on the input data from the FSS Delivery Cost Model.
 - b. With respect to the Updated FSS Delivery Cost Model, please identify tabs and cells that contain input data for other FY 2019 ACR library references.
 - c. Please confirm whether the Postal Service uses input data from the FSS Delivery Cost Model in its filings on rate adjustments for market dominant products. If confirmed, please describe how.
2. For Tables 1 through 8 in the Bradley Report, please identify data sources and provide references to the relevant dockets, library references, files, tabs, and cells.
3. Please provide the links, if any, between relevant cells in the Updated FSS Delivery Cost Model and the Excel file “Calculate Unit Carrier Cost with New Variabilities.xlsx”, which is provided in Library Reference USPS-RM2020-7-NP1, April 7, 2020, subfolders Prop.2.Carrier.Update.NP1.Files and Non-Public Impact Analysis.

By the Chairman.

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